

**§5609. Authorization of appropriations**

There are authorized to be appropriated to the Fund<sup>1</sup> \$40,000,000 to carry out the provisions of this chapter.

(Pub. L. 102259, §11, Mar. 19, 1992, 106 Stat. 84.)

**SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS**

This section is referred to in section 5606 of this title.

**CHAPTER 67—CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS FELLOWSHIP FOUNDATION**

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**§5701. Purpose**

The purpose of this chapter is to establish the Christopher Columbus Fellowship Program to encourage and support research, study, and labor designed to produce new discoveries in all fields of endeavor for the benefit of mankind.

(Pub. L. 102281, title IV, §422, May 13, 1992, 106 Stat. 142.)

**SHORT TITLE**

Section 400 of title IV of Pub. L. 102281 provided that: "This title [enacting this chapter and provisions set out as a note under section 5112 of Title 31, Money and Finance] may be cited as the 'Frank Annunzio Act'."

Section 421 of Pub. L. 102281 provided that: "This subtitle [subtitle B (§§421429) of title IV of Pub. L. 102281, enacting this chapter] may be cited as the 'Christopher Columbus Fellowship Act'."

**§5702. Christopher Columbus Fellowship Foundation****(a) Establishment and purposes**

There is established, as an independent establishment of the executive branch, the Christopher Columbus Fellowship Foundation (hereinafter in this chapter referred to as the "Foundation").

**(b) Membership**

The Foundation shall be subject to the supervision and direction of the Board of Trustees.

The Board shall be composed of 13 members as follows:

(1) 2 members appointed by the President in consultation with the President pro tempore of the Senate.

(2) 2 members appointed by the President in consultation with the Minority Leader of the Senate.

(3) 2 members appointed by the President in consultation with the Speaker of the House of Representatives.

(4) 2 members appointed by the President in consultation with the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives.

(5) 5 members appointed by the President.

**(c) Chairman and Vice Chairman of Foundation**

The President shall designate a Chairman and a Vice Chairman from among the members appointed by the President.

**(d) Terms of office; vacancies**

Each member of the Board of Trustees appointed under subsection (b) of this section shall serve for a term of 6 years from the expiration of the term of such member's predecessor, except that—

(1) any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration of the term for which such member's predecessor was appointed shall be appointed for the remainder of such term; and

(2) of the members first appointed—

(A) 4 shall be appointed for a term of 2 years;

(B) 5 shall be appointed for a term of 4 years; and

(C) 4 shall be appointed for a term of 6 years,

as designated by the President.

**(e) Expenses; no additional compensation**

Members of the Board shall serve without pay, but shall be entitled to reimbursement for travel, subsistence, and other necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties as members of the Board.

(Pub. L. 102281, title IV, §423, May 13, 1992, 106 Stat. 142.)

**§5703. Fellowship recipients****(a) Award**

The Foundation is authorized to award fellowships to outstanding individuals to encourage new discoveries in all fields of endeavor for the benefit of mankind. Recipients shall be known as "Columbus Scholars".

**(b) Term**

Fellowships shall be granted for such periods as the Foundation may prescribe but not to exceed 2 years.

**(c) Selection**

The Foundation may provide, directly or by contract, for the conduct of a nationwide competition for the selection of fellowship recipients.

(Pub. L. 102281, title IV, §424, May 13, 1992, 106 Stat. 143.)

<sup>1</sup>So in original. Probably should not be capitalized.